Ngaygungu language

Ngaygungu (also known as **Ng1-koong-ō** ^[3]) is a sleeping^[4], probably extinct Australian Aboriginal language for which a wordlist was recorded from Atherton in the Wet Tropics of Queensland by Walter Edmund Roth in October $1898^{[3]}$, later also recorded by Norman Barnett Tindale in 1938, but no longer spoken by any living speakers^[2]

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Ngaygungu	
aka Ngî-koong-ō	
Native to	Australia
Region	Queensland
Extinct	last attested 1938 ^[1]
Language family	Pama–Nyungan ?
	 (unclassified, probably Maric)^[2]
	Ngaygungu
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	None (mis)
Glottolog	None
AIATSIS ^[1]	Y216 (https://collect ion.aiatsis.gov.au/au stlang/language/Y216)

Phonology

Vowels

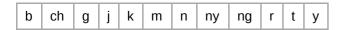
Ngî-koong-ō has the following vowels^[3]



each pronounced as in English were the English vowels **a, e, i, o** to be marked ^[3] for length.

Consonants

Ngî-koong-ō has twelve consonants as follows: [3]



each pronounced as they would be in English

See also

Ngaygungu people

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